(d) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) and (b) above.

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(iii)

(a) Consolidated Annual Accounts of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, New Delhi, for the year 1993-94 and the Audit Report thereon.

(b) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) above.

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MESSAGE FROM THE LOK SABHA

(I) The Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill, 1996.

(II) The Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Cess Bill, 1996.

(III) The Building and Other Construction Workers (Regulation of employment and Conditions of Service) Bill, 1996.

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Madam, I have to report to the House the following messages received from the Lok Sabha, signed by the Secretary-General of the Lok Sabha:—

(I)

"In accordance with the provisions of rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to inform you that Lok Sabha, at its sitting held on the 1st August, 1996, agreed without any amendment to the Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill, 1996, which was passed by Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 22nd July, 1996."

(II)

"In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Cess Bill, 1996, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 1st August, 1996.

The Speaker has certified that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of article 110 of the Constitution of India."

(III)

"In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Building and Other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Bill, 1996, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 1st August, 1996."

Madam, I lay a copy of each of the Bills on the Table.

ALLOCATION OF TIME FOR DISPOSAL OF LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have to inform the House that the Business Advisory Committee has allocated time as follows for the legislative business:

Consideration and passing of the following Bills:

1. The Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya Bill, 1995 ..... One hour.

2. the Maulana Azad National Urdu University Bill, 1995 ... One hour.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Motion for election to the Joint Committee on Offices of Profit. Shri Ramakant D. Khalap.

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL (Rajasthan): Madam, he is not here. Who will move this Motion?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I do not know.

There is a Resolution to be moved by Shri Ram Vilas Paswan. Shri Satpalji Maharaj, are you moving it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPALJI MAHARAJ): Yes.

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: What will happen to this Committee, the Motion about which was to be moved by Shri Ramakant D. Khalap.

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE (West Bengal): If the Minister is not here, how can it be moved? Madam, you switch over to the next item, because the mover is not here.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: If the Minister is not here, how can it be moved? The item is not there, because the Minister has not moved it. It lapses till he comes.

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: Somebody from the Treasury bench should have taken it up. If they don't take it up, how could it be there? Madam, they are functioning in a very strange way.

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: What is the Parliamentary Affairs Minister doing there? It is a serious matter. That is why I objected to it. What will happen to it? We cannot join in that Committee. Our House will not join in that Committee. We cannot hold election, because the Resolution is not moved by anybody.

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: This matter must be taken note of. How do they function?

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: The Minsiter must be hauled up. This House cannot be treated like this. We have been treated very shabbily that way.

उपसभापति: मंत्री जी, हाउस में थोड़ा प्रोसिजर होता है। आप बैठेंगे? मैं थोड़ा एक्सप्लेन कर दूं।

I will explain to you. There are some procedures, according to which we allow the business to run. Now, I would like to remind you that in place of certain papers which have been mentioned against the name of ...(*Interruptions*)...

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Madam, the Minsiter has come.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Kya hua? Were you in Lok Sabha? Give an explanation as to you were late.

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Madam this Motion was adopted in the Lok sabha on the 12th July. Today is the 2nd of August. They are coming so late. The Minister doesn't come in time. He should apologise to the House for coming late.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Were you in Lok Sabha?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF LEGAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATIVE DEPTT. AND/ DEPTT. JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP) Madam, I apologise to the House for coming late.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Before apologising to the House, you should take permission. Then, we would give you permission. Were you in Lok Sabha?

SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP: No, Madam. While I was coming down by the lift, some people pressed the button. So, again it went up and then came down.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: He was in the lift. He got stuck up in the lift. It was a technical problem. We are very happy that the lift came down; otherwise, we would have been waiting for you in the House.

SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP: Madam, I apologise for this.

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Thank you.

SHRI N.K.P. SALVE (Maharashtra): Perfectly understandable.

MOTION FOR ELECTION OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON OFFICES OF PROFIT

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, LEGISLATIVE DEPTT. AND DEPTT OF JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): Madam Deputy Chairman, I move the following Motions:—

"That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that a Joint Committee of the Houses to be called the Joint Committee on Offices of Profit be constituted for the purposes set out in the motion adopted by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 12th July, 1996, and resolves that this House do join in the said Joint Committee and proceed to elect, in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, five Members from among the Members of the House to serve on the said Joint Committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I was quite surprised when you were not in the House because you are one of the very smart and responsible Ministers. So, I was wondering what happened to you. I assumed that you were in Lok Sabha.

SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP: Madam, while I was coming down by the lift, some people pressed the button. So, again it went up and then came down.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Next time we should see that it doesn't happen.

SHRI MD. SALIM (West Bengal): We appreciate the manner in which he ran to the House.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We appreciate it. That is why we have allowed him.

SHRI NILOTPAL BASU (West Bengal): He ran well against the backdrop of our performance in the Atlanta Olympics.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I think we should send some of our white-haired people to participate in the Olympics.

RESOLUTION RE: NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE TO REVIEW RATE OF DIVIDEND PAYABLE TO GENERAL REVENUES

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): Madam Deputy Chairman, I move the following Resolution:—

"That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to the nomination by the Chairman of six Members from the Rajya Sabha to the Parliamentary Committee to review the Rate of Dividend which is at present payable by the Indian Railways to the General Revenues as well as other ancillary matters in connection with Railway Finance vis-a-vis General Finance and to make recommendations thereon."

As you are aware, the inter-relationship between the General Revenues and Railway Finance has been regulated on the basis of the recommendations of the successive Railway convention Committees ever since the Railway Finance was separated from the General Revenues in 1924.